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Comptroller Morgan:

I am filing with you today the Tennessee Higher Education Commission's 2007 Title VI Implementation Plan Update and Compliance Report. As you well know, this plan has been prepared pursuant to the requirements of Tennessee Code Annotated §4-21-901. In the plan, we have clearly stated the Commission's firm commitment to the enforcement of all discrimination laws and the commitment of the Commission and staff in compliance with the provisions of Title VI, including proper compliance reporting.

Again this year, this document has undergone a thorough review and revision of the plan utilizing prior guidance provided by Mr. John Birdsong, Executive Director of the Tennessee Title VI Compliance Commission. Included in the plan are long-range goals and major objectives to meet those goals. I look forward to seeing how these goals and objectives, along with other new plan provisions will enhance our knowledge of and compliance with Title VI.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any further questions regarding our plan.

Sincerely,

Richard G. Rhoda
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cc: Representative Tommie Brown, Chairperson
Black Caucus Title VI Implementation Plan Committee
Mr. John Birdsong, Executive Director
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